GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:879
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MALEGAON PROBE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has decided to hand over the Malegaon probe to the CBI as reported in `The Times of India` dated December 23, 2006;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether notification is required to be issued by the Union Government before re-registering the case;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the required notification is likely to be issued; and

(e) the fate of the trial of the case by the Court till such time the CBI probe is finalised?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): As per available information, the Government of Maharashtra has decided to hand over the probe into Malegaon bomb blasts to the CBI. Referring a case for investigation to the CBI falls in the domain of the State Government.

(c)&(d): The required Notification has already been issued and the case papers have been handed over to the CBI on 21/02/2007.

(e) : The Charge-sheet vide C.C. No. 23/2006 in this case was submitted by the Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS) of Government of Maharashtra on 21/12/2006 against 9 arrested accused in the Spl. MCOCA Court, Mumbai. The CBI has now initiated further necessary action in this case.